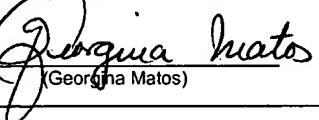


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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated October 5, 2004 (Paper No. 093004), for which a response was due on January 5, 2005. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a one-month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to February 5, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.